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Title: USER-CONSTRAINED OPTICAL ROUTE

FLOODING SYSTEM AND METHOD

Inventor(s): Guo Qiang WANG et al.

Dear Sir:

Attached is a new patent application for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office including twenty-five (25) pages of Specification, seven (7) pages of Claims (numbered 1-20), one (1) page Abstract, twenty-four (24) sheets of Drawings (labeled Figures 1-22), executed Joint Declaration, Assignment with Recordal Sheet, and a Request And Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i) for Nonpublication.

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